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## AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows. Insertions are shown <u>underlined</u> while deletions are struck through.

Paragraph [0083] at page 17:

[0083] Figures 1-3 are photographs showing the hair surfaces. Figure 1 shows the effect of the control sample on the hair cuticle; wherein the control solvent was applied on the hair and then which hair was treated with the bleaching agent; it was observed that the cuticle was loosened and thus evidently damaged. Figure 2 shows the effect of the sponge extract solution of the present invention on the hair cuticle; no damage to the cuticle was observed, which confirmed that the sponge extract solution suppressed any damage caused by the bleaching agent. Figure 3 shows the effect of the reference sample, hydrolyzed collagen, on the hair cuticle; damage to the cuticle was observed.

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## **AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS**

As stated below, Applicant has requested to amend Figures 1-3 to show clear pictures and delete the English language descriptions, as shown in the attached Annotated Sheet Showing Changes.

## REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF DRAWING CHANGES

The amendment to the drawings requested herein is to show clear pictures and delete the English language descriptions in Figures 1-3. The amendment does not raise any new matter, and approval of this amendment is respectfully requested.